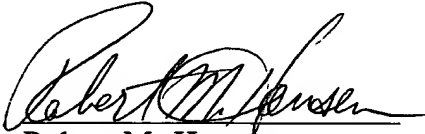


The Applicants respectfully note that if the Examiner finds independent claim 10 to be allowable, claims 11 through 25 which depend directly or indirectly from claim 10 should also be allowable.

Should there be any questions concerning this application, Examiner Palabrica is invited to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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